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SUBJECT.

Petn. from Rama Lama & others of Melkote
re. grant of Kl. ancestral Vrunda
Pradesh in the name temple

Ref. to G.O. No. 1845-21.

& connecting file arranged.

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File No 225-18

FILE HEADING.

Conduct of worship of the image of Sri Ramanujacharya in the Sri Narayanaswamy temple at Melkote by a person belonging to the family of Archaks and not by a Paricharaka.

From

Srivi Varavicegar and others of Melkote - forwarded with P S's no-

No. 281 Dated 30-8-18 Received 31-8-18.

Diary No 526	Enclos 5 Spare Copies	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

Pray that worship to the image of Sri Ramanujacharya in the Melkote temple may ~~be~~ while considering the revision proposals in the temple, be arranged to be conducted by a ~~person~~ regular archak, as in former days, and the paricharaks ordained to do his paricharike duties only, receiving his present remuneration therefor.

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1st para of the petn). State that in the book called Nigamanappadi' daily worship and other matters connected with Sri Ramanujacharyar's image in the temple has been entrusted to the Swami of the Sri Yethirajmatt at Melkote and that for afterwards

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5 of 6 to 7 hundred years since the year 1098 this was the practice. [~~Say that~~ vide copy of the portion relating to conduct of worship ~~has been~~ attached].

2 Para 2) Sri Yatiraja Swamy having absented himself ~~one~~ frequently on tours and also there having been at times no constituted Swamies presiding over the Mall, the management was entrusted to the descendants of Tirumanandapurada Dasas, ~~who are~~ being the 1st Sthanika, and they in their turn employed a gumasta, who did the paricharike duties, while the worship was being done only by the archaks - (~~attach in proof of the above~~ [vide a copy of order No. 20 of 20-6-1835 of the Sriprd.ⁱ of Ishtagram ~~Do~~) attached]

Para 3) State that in the circular Minute of 1-1-1830 issued by the late Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar in consultation with Parakalaswamy, it has been directed that ~~all~~ the worship to all Alwars and Acharyas in all Vishnu temples in the State, should be conducted by archaks only - [~~attach~~ vide copy of the order attached for refee.].

Para 4) State that owing to some misunderstanding between the archaks and Paricharaks, the archaks gave up the

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duty of conducting worship and the paricharaks assumed the duty themselves (vide refs prior to 1900 and the Desika patta of the year Balindamya).

5 para 5) In the revision of the temple Sasana in 1900, without making the necessary enquiry, the paricharak was entrusted with the duty of worship also - (vide revised Sasana patta).

6 para 6) State the qualifications necessary for an archak in accordance with Pancha Sastra, and that the paricharak who conducts the worship now, has no such qualification -

7 para 7) On special occasions, worship is conducted by archaks only and the worship of other Bhakta vigrahas in the temple is conducted by archaks only (vide Govt refs) -

8 para 8) Quote Mummudi Sri Krishna-raja Odeyar's minute of 14-3-1829 re Nimavat Gopalaswamy as Granthapati as a parallel case - [the original sanad is stated to be with archak Gopala-Krishna Bhatta].

9 para 9) State that under the above circumstances, it is derogatory and

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and unsatisfactory that matadhipathis and other men placed high should receive thirtha at the hands of a paricharak -

10 para 10) Pray, therefore, that worship of Sri Ramanujacharya by a regular archak may be restored and the paricharak assigned only paricharika duties, with the remuneration he is now getting -

11 A synopsis of the allegation is put up as directed by the Secretary on the P.S's forwarding note - subd for orders.

SD 21-12-18

i - Subd - with reference to orders of 3 9 '18

23/12/18

Seen

The petition raises a number of contentious points. I should like to have the opinion of Agama Pandit - with a view thereto -

Agama Pandit's opinion to be submitted hereunto

21/2/19.

Seen)

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1 There is something else said about the printing new system petns. But the manual has to be consulted. However it is best to know exactly what is the practice. Forward the petn to the Bs Govt for report as to the existing practice as regards Nityakattale and Hethina Kattepujes and as to what the interested parties have to say in the matter

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clerks, and the worship-
ers at Narasimhaswamy's shrine

Draft subd as per orders.

Approved —

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26/3/19

No. 3027 Dy 2-4-19. 20 D.C. Mysore Calls for a report as to the existing pratice regarding Nityakattale Hethina Kattepujes and as to what the interested parties in the matter have to say

3 From the Dy. Comr., Mysore Distt.,
Refg 20 570 of 18 19 & 10-5-20
Submits a report on the petn of Sri Narasimhar and others re archana of the Bhashyakar's sannidhi of Melkote in Pandavapura

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1 A report was called for on the existing practice regarding Nityakatle and Hetelukatle pujas and as to what the interested parties had to say in the matter.

2 As regards the existing practice, the temple Peshkar has reported that ordinarily the puja is conducted by the present archaks and ~~on occasions~~ that on occasions when the presence of the temple archaks is necessary, ~~they~~ the latter come and officiate. From the opinion of the agamiks of the Mug: Supdt's office and the long existing practice, it is seen that the conduct of puja by Grihastas, who are not Agama Dikshitas, is allowed by Shastras and is, therefore, unobjectionable.

Para 3 of the Dy: Comrs report also shows that the claim of the present archaks to the Archanavritti of the Sri Bhasyakar Samadhi is a long standing one and cannot be easily set aside.

The Dy: Amildar forwards his report by saying that the complaint of the petrs is not well-founded nor conceived in a good spirit and ~~is the~~ is the outcome of ill-will between the

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archaks and the petrs.

22. If approved, the Dy: Comrs report will be recorded.

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27.5.20 For Orders.

23. This is an attempt to revive an old Contention set at rest by the decree of Tasildr Patti in 1904. I beg to submit that such questions are better left where they stand last settled.

Attd
30/5/20

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24. One B. Raghava Chari performing the duties of Archak of Ramanuja Sannidhi in the Narayanaswami Temple of Melkote: at any rate he is doing the Archaka Kattle duties as can be seen from the Perukars report.

25. The Varamaya stood in the name of his elder brother

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Singachar was deceased and it has not yet been transferred to the name of anybody else.

26. At the time of the Revenue in 1901, the office was effected in the name of B. Raghavachar's father.

27. Was Raghavachar's father attending to the duties of Archak & Parichaka till the time of his death? Was Singachar doing likewise subsequently?

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Subd

28. The Dy. Amildar states in his report of 6-4-20, that the office of Archak and Parichaka of Sri Ramanujachar's Samidhi, which stood registered in the name of Narasingachar, was after his death registered in the name of his son Singachar; that since the death of the latter about an year ago, the office duties are being attended to by his brothers Raghava &

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Sampathkumaracharlu, though the office has not been registered in the names of either of them; that since they are under suspension now, the duties of the archak are being looked after by the archak of the Sri Narayanaswamy temple and the pariharika duties by one Singappa temporarily.

29. Subd. for orders as to whether any further information has to be called for from the Dy: Comr?

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30. Seen. What I wish to know is whether the duties of archak and pujari have been actually performed by the same person since 1901. The mere fact that both these offices were registered in the name of the same person does not necessarily lead to the conclusion that the duties of both these offices have been performed by him.

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31	Draft enquiry subd. SD 11-6-20 JG 11-6-20 To Secy) AMT 12/6/20 32 – Secy 15/6/20 AMT 15/6
4	DJ 22-6-20 D.C. Impore Calls for some information in the matter
	From the D.C. Impore, letter No. 570 dt 15 D/ 16-3-21 States that since the revision of the scale of the Tehsils in August 1900, both the Tehsildarships and Naibtehsildarships have actually been performed by one and the same person working on a single salary of Rs 75/- per mensem for both the offices.
	~~Drafts thereon~~
33	Reference para 30 of the note – It will thus be seen that both the offices are being actually performed, since the revision in 1900, by one & the same person; that when giving effect to the revised scale one Blasingrao held the two offices; that he is

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Singalachar succeeded him after his death, & that his brother Raghavachar, who is now under suspension, succeeded him; and that Sampath Kumarachar the brother of the latter, is now in charge of the duties -

34. In view of the opinion expressed by the office Agamics that there is no objection to the worship of Sri Ramanujacharya in the Sri Narayanaswami Temple at Melkote being carried on by the present archaks & the opinion expressed by the D.C. that the claim of the present archaks to the offices in question is a long standing one & cannot be easily ~~be~~ set aside and the opinion of the H. Secretary in para 23 above, it is a point for orders whether the Dy: Comrs letter may be recorded and the petrs informed that Govt. see no reason to ~~abortise~~ remove the present archaks from the office & change the mode of worship -

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To Secy)

Yes. Agreed

UP 31/3/21

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	SD 1/4/21 BB 7/4/21 Today) AMT 2-4-21
5)	Redraft ut 5/4/21 AMT 5-4-21
	Redraft & subd. SD 6/4/21 BB 6/4/21 AMT 6/4 Today)
	Secret Member) ut 7/4/21
5151-162 8-4-21	I agree in the view taken. Draft to appeared. Secy 8.4.21 ut 11.4.21 AMT 11-4-
6	To D.C Tanjore & Mang Endst No. 3792-3 dt 18/4/21 declines to modify the arrangement which has been in force for the last 20 years
7	No 3704 dt 18.4.21 to Asst Karaikudi by Melrose (Thro' A.C.)

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SUBJECT Forwards for report a petn from certain residents of Melkote re conduct of worship to the image of Sri Ramanujacharya in the temple there.

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File No. 225-18
Serial No. 2

No. 3027/Mel/File VIII

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

The accompanying Petition Registered No. 281 dated 30-8-18 ..... 191 . received thro: the Private Secretary to H.H. at the General and Revenue Secretariat from Rowri Narainiengar and others of Melkote praying that the worship of the image of Sri Ramanujacharya in the temple at Melkote, French Rocks Sub-Taluk, may be arranged to be conducted by a regular archak, instead of by ~~is forwarded, together with its enclosures,~~ ~~to the~~ the parichaark as at present, is forwarded, together with its enclos:, to the Dy: Comr, ~~for~~ Mysore Dist, for a report as to the existing practice regarding nityakatle and Hetchukatle pujes and as to what the interested parties (archaks and the worshippers at the Sri Ramanuja's shrine) have to say in the matter

By Order,

Secretary to Government.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
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Diary No. of letter replied to 526

Date of issue 2.6.1919

Signed by Mr. Nicholson

26/3/19

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By Order,

Secretary to Government.

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19/9/1920
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FILE No. 225-18-1
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From

The Deputy Commissioner,
Mayavaram.

To

The Secretary to Govt. of Madras
in Madras Public Department,

Dated Murrai Estate, Bangalore

Despatched 7/10/5 Aug 20.

Received

General No. Office No: 570 dated 21

No.

Enclosure No one file.

Submitting a report on the petition of Seshia Ramanujam and others of praying that the worship of the image of Sri Ramanuja Charya in the temple may be arranged to be conducted by a regular archak etc

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Office of the [illegible],
[illegible],
[illegible] the [illegible] May 2020.

From

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[illegible] petition dated 07.05.2020
[illegible], I have the honor to report on the petition of Muri
[illegible] for [illegible] the worship of the
[illegible] etc., I have the honor to forward
[illegible] on once more to the Perur locks
[illegible]'s [illegible] 1175 of 16-19 dated 6th April

[illegible] mentioned in the file it will be seen
[illegible] will attend the [illegible] Utsavar's sannidhi
[illegible] festival of [illegible] - 2 persons at the time of
[illegible] the people of the locality [illegible] the temple in
[illegible] prior to 1961 now [illegible] to him and
[illegible] that it is understood during the Ketchu-
[illegible] Utsavar's sannidhi on Pri Mala entrance will conduct
[illegible] and [illegible] there. Further, that the pre-
[illegible] not to belong to the archak's
[illegible] to the [illegible]

The [illegible], Perur locks, examined [illegible] Raghavachari who is now
looking after the duties of both the karic ark and archak in the Sri
[illegible] sannidhi. He has produced copies of old documents to

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to show that their fore-fathers were enjoying the archakship am that the same was recognized by Government in the revision of the temple in the year 1901. One of the documents relate to the year vyaya i.e. 1826-27 from which it can be seen that the fore-fathers of the present archak were only enjoying the Paricharak hak in the Sannidhi of the Sri Ramanujacharya. The 2nd copy of the 2nd document relates to the year 1851 from which it will be observed that the "archana hak" of Bhashyakar Ragavachar's forefathers has been recognised by the then Attikuppe Taluk Katcherry. It is not understood how and when the archana hak of the Sannidhi of Sri Ramanujacharya was commenced to be enjoyed by the fore-fathers of Raghavachar.

The petition received with the memo under advertance is herewith enclosed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- B. Balakrishna

For Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District.

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SUBJECT.....

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT
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No. 4875 Issue file

Date of issue..... 22.6.20

Signed by.....

To The Dy: Comr, Mysore Dt.

Sir,

With reference to your letter no. Ref. C. no 570 of 18-19 dt 10-5-20 submitting a report on the petition of Sowri Narasimhar & others of Melkote praying that the worship to the image of Sri Ramanuja charya in the temple of Sri Narayanaswami at Melkote may be arranged to be conducted by an Agama archak.

over.

directed to enquire whether ~~B. Raghavachari's father was actually attending to~~ apart from the duties of Archak and Paricharak, ~~from 1904~~ till his ~~death~~ and whether Singalachar was doing likewise subsequently. both the offices being performed 1901 & the same person ~~since~~ 1904 & if so

2. The Ver: records are returned for reference and return.

I have etc

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Secretary

Mus: Dept.

11-6-20

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From The Deputy Commissioner
Hazaribagh

To The Secretary
to the Government of Bihar & Orissa
Political Department
Patna.

Dated 11th March 1921.
Despatched
Received 12 MAR 1921
General No. Ref. No. 1890 of 1920
No.

Enclosure No. one

Subject Regarding further information re the conduct of worship of the image of Sri Ramanuja Bharya in the Sri Ramanuja Math at Tirupati

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District,

ted, Mysore the 11th March 21.

[illegible] Esquire,

[illegible] Division,

[illegible] District.

[illegible] Iyer, Esq., [illegible],

[illegible] to the Government of

[illegible] on the Circuit of Mysore,

Judicial Department, Bangalore.

Sir,

Adverting to the correspondence ending with your letter No 4275/ Huz 22F-1-4 dated 22nd June 1920 calling for certain information re the conduct of worship of the image of Sri Ramanuja Charya in the Sri Narayanaswamy temple at Melkote, I have the honor to state that from the vernacular records received with French Rocks Sub Division Officer's Madasi No.F.H.C.1275/19-19 dated 8th February 1921, it is seen that both the archak and the periarak offices are being actually performed since the revision of the scale of income and expenditure, by one and the same person getting a consolidated pay of Rs.5/- per month for both the offices The Deputy Amildar further reports that at the time the revised scale was given effect to one Alasingara Chariar held these offices that after his death his son Singaracharlu succeeded him and after Singlacharlu's death, his brother Ramachar was looking after these duties for sometime and that one Sampathkumara Chariar brother of the aforesaid Ramachar is now in charge of the duties etc.

The vernacular records on the subject are herewith submitted for reference.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

[signature]

For Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District

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SUBJECT.....

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue.....

Signed by.....

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read— Petition dy 28-6-18 from Sri Narayaniengar and others of Melkote representing that the Duties of archak of the Sri Ramanujachar Samidhi in the Sri Narayanaswamy temple at Melkote and of Paricharak in the same temple are being performed by B. Raghavachar and praying that the worship may be arranged to be conducted by a full-time archak, as in former days; and

Order Thereon—No.

May this be

i Printed ?

ii treated as a standing order ? Pass-

iii published in the Gazette, English Part ?

iv translated ?

v placed at the disposal of the press ?

vi published in the Gazette, Kannada Part ?

and the present archak directed asked to confine himself to the parichavike duties.

2) Correspondence ending with letter no. Ac. 570 of 18-19 & 11-3-21 from the Dy: Comr., Mysore Distt., reporting that the present archak B. Raghavachar is the son of Narasingrachar, who was appointed archak of the Sri Ramanujacharya's Samidhi on a pay of Rs 3/- per mensem in 1901, when the temple scale was revised, that though he has produced documents to prove that his family has been entitled to the archanavritti hak from a long time, it cannot be definitely ascertained when the family acquired the hak; and that since the revision in 1901 the duties of the archak and parichavak offices

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have been and are being actually performed by one & the same person on a consolidated pay of Rs 3/- per. mensem -

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Order:- 3702-3

Govt see no reason to modify an arrangement which has been in force since at least the past twenty years i.e. the revision made in the year 1901 -

1/4/24
Secretary

Recd 11-4-24 —

To

The Dy: Comr, Mysore Dist
Alnz
Alnz: Deptt 5/4/24

refg. her: records -

" Alnzai Supdt in Mysore -

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